

**River Ridge Elementary School  
SBDM Council Meeting Minutes  
October 29, 2020**

**Members Present:** Valarie Baker, Amber Bovard, Jena Smiddy, Tiffany Siler, Amber Sipple, Brittany Stansberry

**Members Not Present:** Christy Daugherty, Pilar Ford, Missy Robinson, Dominique Cruet, Paula Schwartz,

**Also Present:** NKU Practicum Student-Mackenzie Derry

**OPENING BUSINESS**

The meeting was called to order at 5:13 pm. Valarie Baker motioned to approve the agenda and Amber Sipple seconded the motion. The agenda was approved.

**Approval of Minutes**

The minutes from the Sept. meeting were read by council members. We are approving these minutes with the addition that we discussed the vacant parent position on council. The PTO will conduct an election to fill the vacant seat. Amber Sipple made a motion to approve the minutes and Brittany Stansberry seconded the motion.

**FRC Updates- No meeting was held this month.** Shannon Yelton and Jill Dilts have worked hard to arrange two Halloween celebrations. The A/B rotations allowed for a celebration on Thursday and Friday. Today, half of the 4th and 5th grade were able to feed the witch, have a parade and then enjoy the afternoon. Tomorrow the other half will celebrate with the rest of the school.

**PTO Report-** No interest thus far in the vacant SBDM parent position. The position will remain vacant and we will continue to advertise until we have interest. The winter flower sale concludes on Monday. A spirit wear sale will begin next month. There will be a check coming for the profits from the fall flower sale.

**Good News-**

Valarie Baker and Brittany Stansberry said that Halloween was fun and the energy was great. Finished with MAP testing.

Being back in school has been wonderful. It's stressful for the staff, but the students have been great about the new guidelines.

Parents say that it's great to have the kids back in school. The kids are happy to be back and things are feeling normal for them.

### **-Community Input**

None.

### **STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT**

1. MAP Update: Completed reports aren't available due to a handful of students still finishing.

2. School Climate and Safety Survey- Our 4th and 5th graders from 2019-2020 school year took a survey on the school climate and safety. This consists of 30 questions about student perception of school culture and how safe they feel while they are at school. Overall the survey was very positive. 99.3% of kids felt their school was a caring place.

### **BUDGET**

Budget reports are very similar to last month. Our paper and copy numbers are way down from a year ago. We are waiting on our second month adjustment from the district.

### **BUSINESS**

**2nd Grade Report Card-** These are proposed changes to the 2nd grade report card. Our current 2nd grade students were the first group of students to attend our full day Kindergarten program. The language of this report card is very parent friendly. Valarie Baker approved the changes and Tiffany Siler seconded. No objections.

**CSIP Phase II-** Ms. Smiddy shared Phase II of the CSIP with the council. School Assurances, School Safety Report and the Needs Assessment were all shared and discussed. A motion to approve Phase II was made by Amber Bovard and Valarie Baker seconded the motion.

**Parent Engagement Policy (2.1)** We previously had a Title One Student Placement and Parent Engagement policy together in one policy. A new version of this policy was proposed. A motion was made to replace the current policy with an updated 2.1 by Amber Sipple and Amber Bovard seconded the motion. We will revisit and review the policy at our November meeting.

## **CLOSING BUSINESS**

Brittany Stansberry motioned to go into closed session and Valarie Baker seconded. The council agreed to go into closed session to consult on three classified staffing vacancies. (KRS 61.801(1)f).

Amber Bovard motioned to come out of closed session and Amber Sipple seconded.

The council was consulted on the following positions:

Special Education Instructional Assistant (STU)-Rebecca Nolan was recommended to fill the vacant position.

## **NEXT MEETING DATE & PRELIMINARY AGENDA**

### **Preliminary Agenda**

1. Preliminary Agenda

The council reviewed and discussed the preliminary agenda for the November 2020 council meeting.

Amber Bovard motioned to adjourn the meeting and it was seconded by Amber Sipple